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Probably the youngest superintendent in the yard is Mr. James Rowbodtom, who has obsurge of the michineshop. He has been with the company since it was founded, having resigned a similar position in Cramp's yard in Philadelphia. Mr. Rowboottom was sent to England by President Orcuit to Visit the various shipbulding plants there, and obtain modern ideas of machinery. When he returned Mr. Rowboottom designed the shop, which is the most complete in the world. He was born a mechanic and his genius asserted itself in early youth, cnabling him to forge ahead and reach the high position he now fills.





stated sixter stop, El Norte was founched on June 14, 1892, and was Caristened by Miss Mary Orcutt, daughler of the president of the shipbuilding company. This ship was also built for fise Morgan Line.

Plar the same line El Rio—The River—was built. She was a duplicate of the other ships with the exception of her masts, El Rio has but two. This vestually a ship was a superintended to the James May 31, 1892, Miss Laura Braxton, of this city, acted as sponsor for El Pho, and Miss Henrietta Young, niece of General Superintendent Sommers N. Smith, became re-possible for the future good beltavior of El Cid. These two vessels art-sister ships.

With the exception of El Cid the securiors are plying between New York and New Orleans. During an insurrection in Brazil several years ago El Cid was sold to that government. She was fitted up with dynantic guins and her name changed to "Nictheroy."













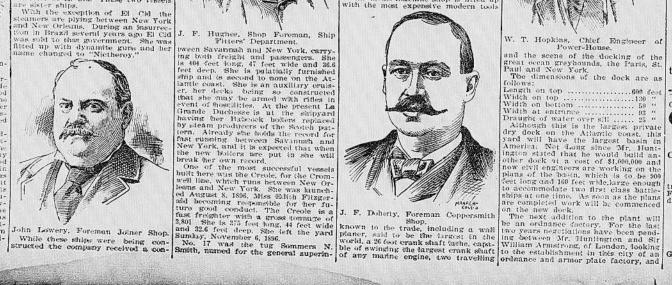


the framense lumber department, where nearly 40,00,000 feetoflumber are stored. This quantity of Number consists of all varities used in shipbuilding, ranging in price from \$10 to \$500 per 1,000 feet. On the right of the Number department is the joiner and woodworking build-ing, a brick two story structure 60x300 feet.

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